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FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Don Robb

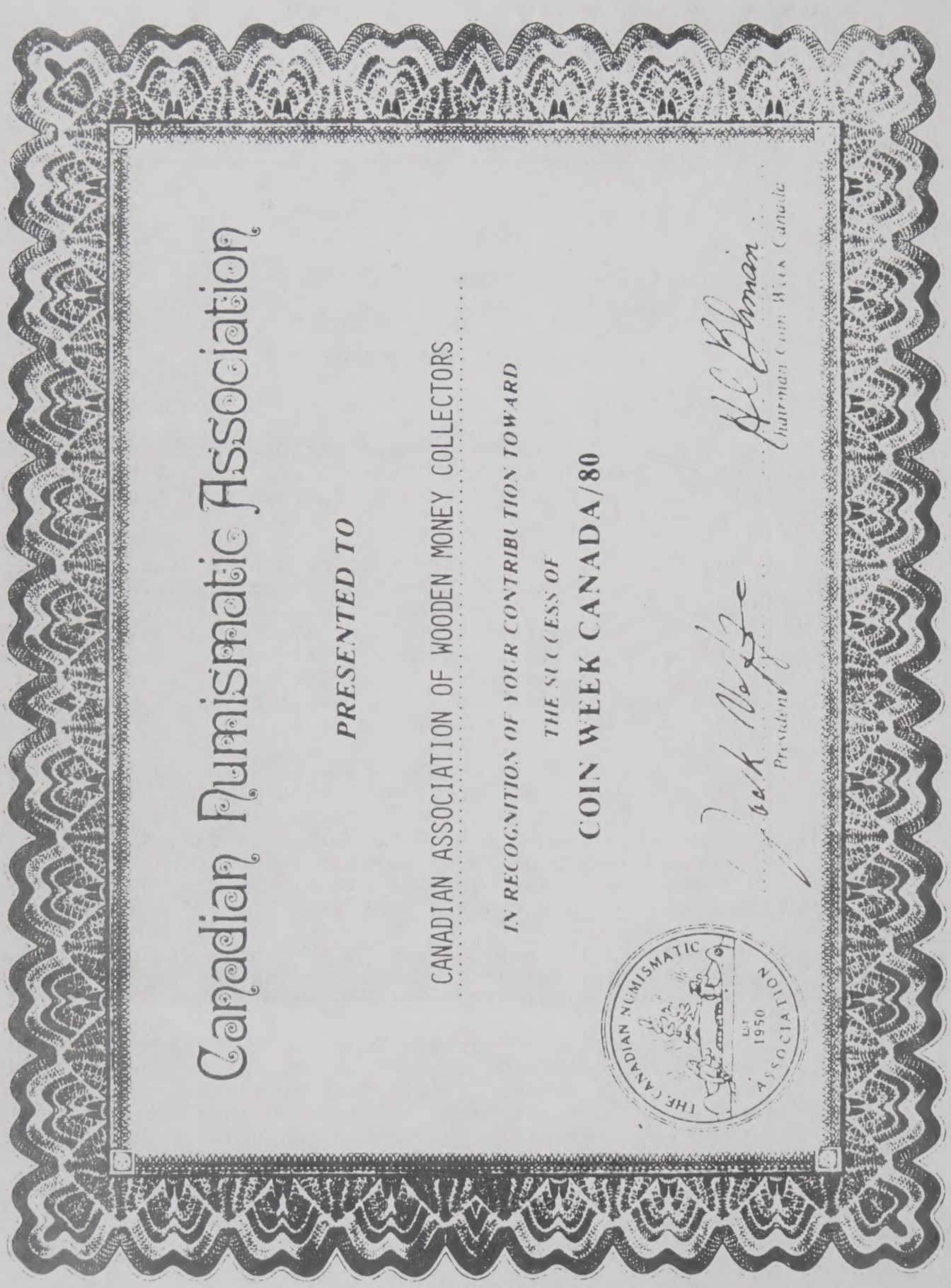
In Toronto, at the end of November, a group of C.A.W.M.C. members held a meeting. I was asked to attend as President of C.A.W.M.C. Others present included Norm Wells, John Curtis, Norm Belston, Al Kasman, and Russell Brown. In this article I want to report the highlights of that meeting to the membership.

Really the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the idea of forming a Southern Ontario Chapter of C.A.W.M.C. It was moved and accepted that such a chapter be formed. There will be no executive or bylaws, also no annual dues. The only prerequisite is to be a member of C.A.W.M.C. and be interested in meeting on a regular basis to trade, display and discuss woods. Perhaps in other areas of Canada other, similar chapters can be formed.

Should our chapter require money in order to hold a show then we would consider issuing special limited edition woods to finance such special occasions. Any excess funds would be turned over to C.A.W.M.C., because the only reason for such a chapter is to develop enthusiasm and perhaps attract new members for C.A.W.M.C. It will enhance C.A.W.M.C. and in no way be in conflict.

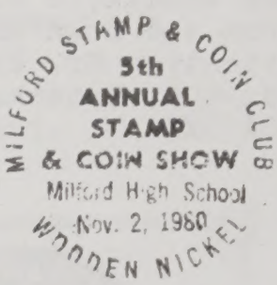
In summary, our meeting was made up of a group of dedicated C.A.W.M.C. members who are trying to develop a basis for regular meetings in the Southern Ontario Region. It is proposed that we will have a C.A.W.M.C. Southern Ontario Chapter meeting at the O.N.A. show in Niagara Falls in April, 1981, then of course our C.A.W.M.C. Annual Meeting at the C.N.A. Convention in Toronto in July and a Chapter meeting at some place to be selected in the Fall of 1981. Probably, this Fall, 1981 gathering could take the form of a Wood Token Show.

Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is $5.00 per calendar year and should be sent to our Secretary-Treasurer, Bruce Watt, 1153 Northridge Street, Oshawa, Ontario, L1G 3P3.



The certificate reproduced above was presented to C.A.W.M.C. at the September meeting of the Calgary Numismatic Society for our participation in the club's Coin Week Canada efforts.

TWO NEW ISSUES BY OUR FRIENDS TO THE SOUTH: While it has been my editorial policy to publish only Canadian issues and woods issued by C.A.W.M.C. members whether Canadian or American. However, we have received a special request to publish the following two American issues. Since the request was made by Mr. Stephen R. Taylor of Dover, Delaware, who has long been a friend of and an active participant in the Canadian numismatic scene, we are happy to oblige.



The Kent Coin Club of Dover, DE., issued a wood for its September 21, 1980 coin show. Seen on the reverse is the club crest, while the obverse depicts the John Dickinson Mansion. The mansion was built in 1740 by Samuel Dickinson, father of John Dickinson, "Penman of the Revolution". The dining room was added in 1752 and the summer kitchen in 1754. John Dickinson spent his youth there. During the Revolution and while he was President of the Delaware State from 1781 to 1782, he and his family lived there. It is furnished with 18th century antiques, including some Dickinson family pieces. The Division of Historical & Cultural Affairs administers the property and it has been designated a National Historic Landmark. The woods, shown above at left are available at 50¢ U. S. plus SASE from Mr. Taylor c/o Kent Coin Club, P.O. Box 857, Dover, DE 19901, U.S.A.

The Milford, Delaware, Stamp & Coin Club issued a wood depicting the Parson Thorne Mansion for its Nov. 2, 1980 show. The land on which the Mansion stands is part of a Duke of York Grant given on March 28, 1680 to Henry Bowman. In 1730 Joseph Booth bought 510 acres from Bowman's grandson and between 1730 and 1735 built the frame wing at the rear. In 1745 Booth's lands were sold to settle a mortgage debt: at the sale John Cullen bought 263 acres. He added the brick section of the present house. In 1787 the Mansion passed to Rev. Mr. Sydenham Thorne, an Anglican clergyman. On Thorne's death in 1793 it passed to his nephew, Peter Caverly who sold it in 1811 to James Clayton, father of the famous John M. Clayton (the latter spent his boyhood years there). The plantation was sold again in 1821 and in 1825 became the property of Col. Benjamin Potter. He was succeeded by his nephew who ultimately sold the property to his wife's father, Col. Fiddeman. Mrs. Potter later married Dr. Mark Lofland, from whose heirs it passed to Mr. George H. Draper, Sr, whose grandson, James R. Draper presented the house to the Milford Historical Society in 1961. Today it is cared for by the Society and is filled with interesting Milford Memorabilia. The wood is also available for 50¢ U.S. each from Mr. Raymond McCready, R. D. # 2, Box 12, Harrington, DE 19952, U. S. A.

FROM ESTERHAZY: by Jermome H. Remick

The town of Esterhazy, Saskatchewan issued a 1980 50 mm wooden trade dollar to commemorate their province's 75th anniversary in Confederation. The dollar is valid as currency until December 31, 1980. The obverse shows the Esterhazy logo (potash mine and stylized wheat sheaves). The reverse shows the Saskatchewan 75th anniversary logo.

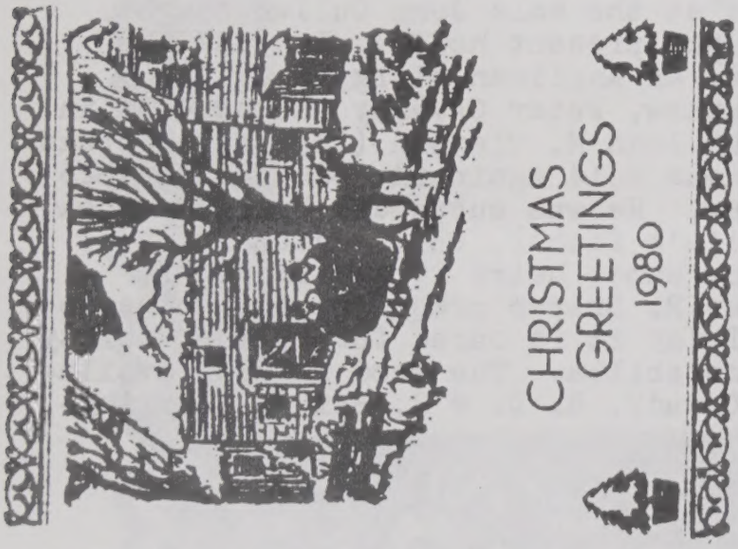
3000 woods were produced by Elbee Co., San Antonio, Texas. The design, lettering, etc. is printed in black. Specimens are available at $1.25 postpaid from the Town of Esterhazy, Attention Mr. Fred J. Sutter, Box 490, Esterhazy, Sask., SOA OXO.

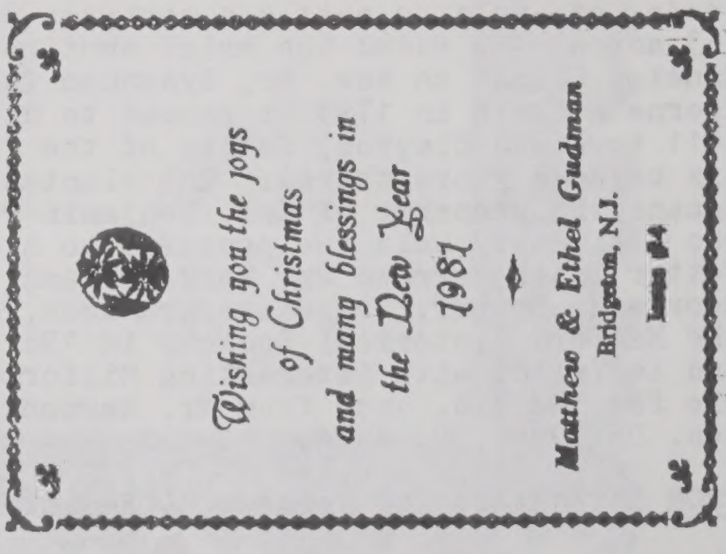
ROY FARRELL WOODEN WOODEN QUARTER

Shown at left is a wood of Roy Farrell, Purchasing Agent for the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties. Mr. Farrell is no longer employed with the Association. However C.A.W.M.C. member Geoff Bell was able to acquire his wooden tokens before they could be destroyed. He is selling them at $1.25 postpaid with all proceeds going to the J. Douglas Ferguson Educational and Research Foundation. Anyone interested in obtaining one or more of these woods may do so by writing to Geoffrey G. Bell, 395 Highfield Street, Moncton, N.B., E1C 5R7.

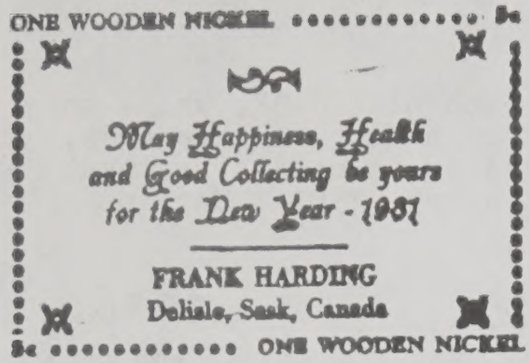
1980 CHRISTMAS WOODS

We have received so many Christmas woods to publish, this time that it is not possible to get tham all in one issue. Some, therefore, will be published in the February issue.

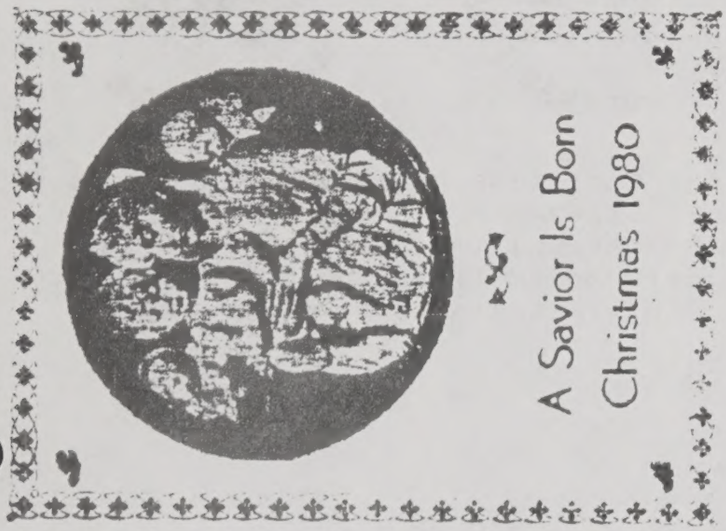


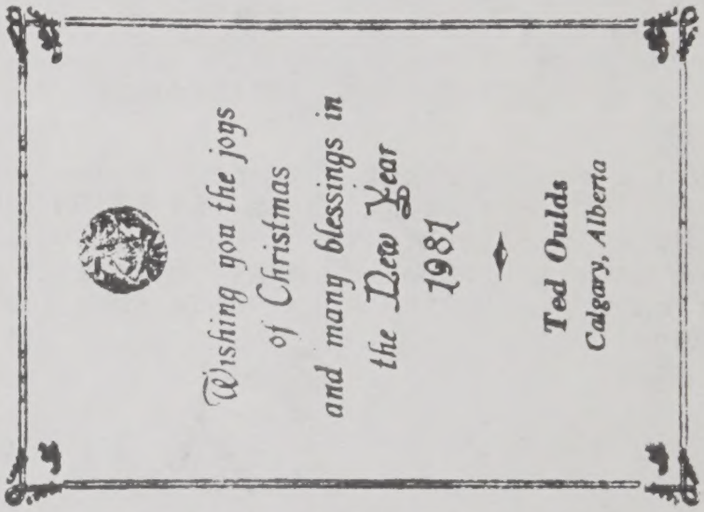


"My fourth issue of Xmas flat now available at fifty cents each plus SASE - Also available my Xmas wooden nickel rounds, quarter each plus SASE. Matthew J. Gudman, P. O. Box 275, Bridgeton, N.J. 08302, U.S.A."

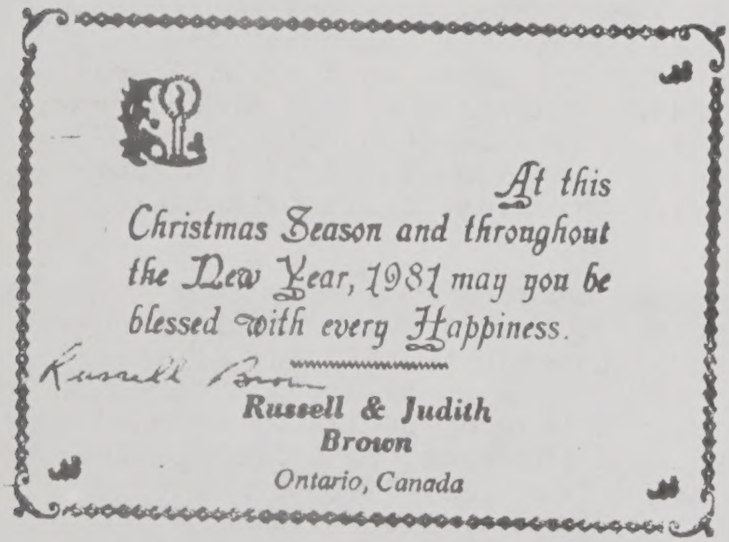


Shown above is a new wooden flat for Christmas by Frank Harding. Frank says he has a few left and will send for 50¢ each, only one per request. Write to Frank Harding, P. O. Box 536, Delisle, Sask., SOL OPO.





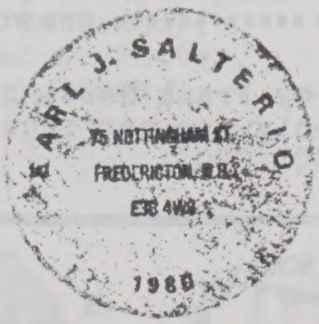
A new Chrsitmas flat by Ted Oulds, 469 - 12th St. N. W., Calgary, Alberta, T2N 1Y9. Ted offers to trade one of his Christmas woods with any member for one of their own issue wood

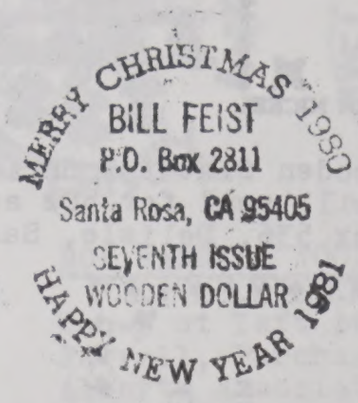


Another new Christmas flat is that issued by Russell & Judith Brown, 7 Cartier Cres., Richmond Hill, Ont., L4C 2M9. We have no particulars yet regarding the general availability of this piece.

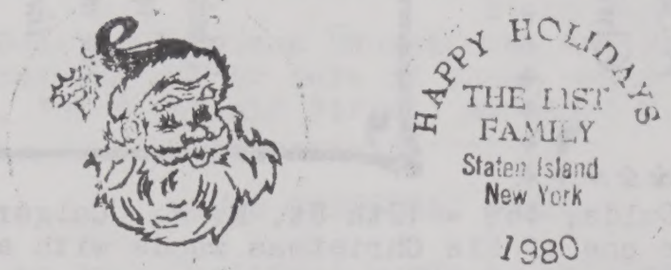
Earl J. Salterio, 75 Nottingham St., Fredericton, N. B., has issued a new Christmas round wood. Diameter 41 mm, colours red, green and black, total

of 100 made. Earl has made them available for 50¢ each plus SASE, while they last. I might note here that Earl is President of one of our club members, the Fredericton Numismatic Society, which has invited us to hold a regional meeting at the Spring A.P.N.A. show in Fredericton in May, 1981. Earl's wood is shown below at left.





Shown above at right is a new wooden round for Christmas by member Bill Feist, P. O. Box 2811, Santa Rosa, CA 95405, U. S. A. They are available for trade to other wood collectors. Bill also notes that around the first of 1981 he will have a list of a large collection of older wooden flats and some rounds for sale, including some woods from Canada. Interested members may request a copy.



Received a letter from member Clinton B. List, 5 Haynes St., Staten Island, N. Y. 10309, U.S.A., to say that sets of his 1980 Christmas rounds (one shown above) are available from him. This year's set is in five colours, and only 200 sets were made. He will trade his woods for any other wood or will sell at 1 for 15¢, 2 for 25¢ or 5 for 50¢, plus SASE. Canadian stamps and currency are accepted. He also has issues from past years available as follows: 1977 Christmas, Black, Santa; 1978 Christmas, Red, Indian & Buffalo; 1979 Christmas, 5 different colours, Indian; 1980 Anniversary, Blue, Indian & Buffalo.

"Calgary Christmas issue: available to those CAWMC members who wish to send one of their Xmas woods for one of these woods. For those who do not have a special 1980 Xmas wood please send 50¢ each, plus SASE. Also available are a few of my 1979 Xmas wood flats, Wells # 8140-44. Also willing to buy any other Canadian or foreign Xmas woods of any other years. Please contact Mark Mogen - CAWMC member # 108, 3715 Unity Place N. W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2N 4G4."